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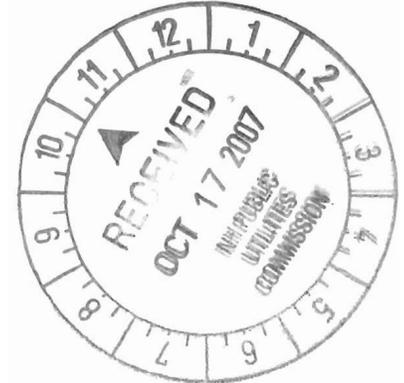
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October 15, 2007

Ms. Debra A. Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301



Re: Docket No. DT 07-011
Verizon New England et als
Petition for Authority to Transfer Assets to FairPoint Communications, Inc.

Dear Ms. Howland:

Pursuant to agreement among the parties at the October 9, 2007 informal conference conducted by General Counsel Kreis, the New England Cable and Telecommunications Association, Inc. ("NECTA") and Comcast Phone of New Hampshire, LLC ("CPNH") submit the following information regarding (1) the availability of its witness, Michael D. Pelcovits, during hearings; (2) an estimate of the amount of time needed for cross-examination of the individual witnesses of other parties; (3) witnesses that NECTA and CPNH see no need to cross-examine; and (4) the number of persons who will attend hearings on behalf of NECTA and CPNH.

Availability of Michael D. Pelcovits

Dr. Pelcovits is currently available to testify on all currently scheduled hearing dates, with the exception of October 22, 2007, the first hearing date. Should any hearings be scheduled on a Friday, Dr. Pelcovits would be available to testify only during a morning session.

Estimates of Time for Cross-Examination of Witnesses Expected to be Cross-Examined

<u>Witness</u>	<u>Time Estimate</u>
Stephen A. Smith- Verizon	30 minutes
Walter Leach-FairPoint	30 minutes
Peter Nixon	30-45 minutes
Brian Lippold	60-90 minutes

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Michael Skrivan	30 minutes
Haga/Kurtze	60-90 minutes
Falcone/ King- PUC Staff	30-45 minutes
John Antonuk	30-45 minutes

The above time estimates are good faith estimates. In the event that any witness supplements or updates previously filed testimony, or in the event that any settlements are filed by any parties, NECTA and CPNH may require additional time for cross-examination and may determine that additional witnesses should be cross-examined.

NECTA and CPNH are concerned with the impact upon cross-examination of (1) any "global settlements" with other parties that cover issues raised in the direct testimony of Dr. Pelcovits; (2) settlements between FairPoint and another party that, in their opinion, affect their arguments in this proceeding; (3) any settlements or stipulations regarding the cutover process, cutover readiness criteria and the role of any third party consultant regarding the cutover process; and (4) settlements entered into with other wholesale customers in the event that they are filed publicly or directed to be made public by the Commission. The filing of such settlements also may lead NECTA and CPNH to seek an opportunity to supplement their direct testimony.

Witnesses that NECTA and CPNH See No Need to Cross-Examine

NECTA and CPNH do not see any need to cross-examine any other witnesses in this proceeding. In the event of the filing of settlements between FairPoint and any other party, NECTA and CPNH reserve the right to request cross-examination based on the settlement.

Number of Persons Who Will Attend Hearings

NECTA and CPNH project that counsel will attend hearings on all scheduled dates. On dates when counsel expect to present or cross-examine witnesses, 1-3 additional persons might be in attendance. It is possible that 1-2 additional persons will attend hearings on dates when counsel does not expect to present or cross-examine witnesses. NECTA and CPNH will cooperate with the parties and the Commission to resolve any hearing room capacity issues.

Very truly yours,



Alan D. Mandl

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Donald M. Kreis, General Counsel